The Fourth Sunday After Pentecost June 27 & 28, 2020

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St. John's Lutheran Church Red Bud, Illinois

WELCOME TO ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH! We preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ, administer the sacraments and provide Christian education in service to all people. We are especially happy that we have visitors with us today. St. John's is a congregation which follows the historic order of Christian worship. Even if you are not Lutheran, you may recognize many of the elements of worship from your own tradition. If you or your small child needs a space for privacy during the service, Room 1 in the Fellowship Hall has a TV with a video feed of our worship service. To help with the reverent nature of our worship, please silence and do not use your cell phones and pagers during this service. Thank you!

WE CELEBRATE HOLY COMMUNION: In this Supper of our Lord we receive the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the earthly forms of bread and wine for the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our faith. Since this Holy Communion is also a sign of how we commonly confess the Christian faith, we welcome to the Lord's Table those who are confirmed members of congregations of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. The individual cups of white wine in the center of the cup tray contain non-alcoholic wine for those who prefer this. Place a finger to your lips if you prefer an individual cup. For more information about this sacrament, please see pages 326-327 and 329-330 of *Lutheran Service Book*.

Divine Service Two, page 167ff.

PRELUDE: "O That I Had a Thousand Voices" arranged by Jonathan Kohrs
THE RINGING OF THE BELL calls us to holy worship.

Hymn of Invocation: 903 "This Is the Day the Lord Has Made" This is the day the Lord has made: He calls the To day He and the And Sa - tan's rose left dead, Но san - na the a Da - vid's to noint - ed King, To Bless - ed is He who comes to With mes - sag us 5 Ho san - na high - est strains The Church on in the His Let heav'n re joice, let hours own. em pire fell: To day the saints His de ho ly Son! Help us, O Lord; of the Lord's es grace; He, in name, The earth can raise. high - est heav'ns, in glad praise sur - round the throne. earth be And tri - umphs spread And all His won ders tell. scend and bring Sal va tion from Your throne. fall comes to us То save our en race. He Shall give which reigns, Him bler no praise.

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- P In the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit. C Amen.
- P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.
- P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit. C Amen.

Introit: Psalm 89



I will sing of the love of the LORD, for- | ever;

I will make known Your faithfulness to all gener- | ations.

Blessèd are those who know the | festal shout,

who exult in Your name | all the day
For You are the glory | of their strength;
For our shield belongs | to the LORD,
Glory be to the Father and | to the Son
as it was in the be- | ginning,

who walk, O LORD, in the light | of Your face, and in Your righteousness are ex- | alted. by Your favor our horn is ex- | alted. our king to the Holy One of | Israel. and to the Holy | Spirit; is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

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Kyrie (we sing the responses)

A In peace let us pray to the Lord. C Lord, have mercy.

- A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.
 - C Lord, have mercy.
- A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord. C Lord, have mercy.
- A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord. C **Lord**, **have mercy**.
- A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord. C Amen.

This Is the Feast

A This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

C Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power and riches and wisdom and strength and honor and blessing and glory are His. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia. Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia, alleluia.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P The Lord be with you. C (sung) And also with you.
- P Let us pray together the Collect of the Day.

C: Almighty God, by the working of Your Holy Spirit, grant that we may gladly hear Your Word proclaimed among us and follow its directing; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. (please be seated)

ANTHEM: "Footsteps of Jesus" Summer Singers

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: Jeremiah 28:5-9

Then the prophet Jeremiah spoke to Hananiah the prophet in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the LORD, and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the LORD do so; may the LORD make the words that you have prophesied come true, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the LORD, and all the exiles. Yet hear now this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. As for the prophet who prophesies

peace, when the word of that prophet comes to pass, then it will be known that the LORD has truly sent the prophet."

A: This is the Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL:

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!

How unsearchable are His judgments and how inscrutable His ways!

For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things. To Him be glory forever. Amen.

THE EPISTLE READING: Romans 7:1-13

Or do you not know, brothers—for I am speaking to those who know the law—that the law is binding on a person only as long as he lives? Thus a married woman is bound by law to her husband while he lives, but if her husband dies she is released from the law of marriage. Accordingly, she will be called an adulteress if she lives with another man while her husband is alive. But if her husband dies, she is free from that law, and if she marries another man she is not an adulteress.

Likewise, my brothers, you also have died to the law through the body of Christ, so that you may belong to another, to Him who has been raised from the dead, in order that we may bear fruit for God. For while we were living in the flesh, our sinful passions, aroused by the law, were at work in our members to bear fruit for death. But now we are released from the law, having died to that which held us captive, so that we serve not under the old written code but in the new life of the Spirit.

What then shall we say? That the law is sin? By no means! Yet if it had not been for the law, I would not have known sin. I would not have known what it is to covet if the law had not said, "You shall not covet." But sin, seizing an opportunity through the commandment, produced in me all kinds of covetousness. Apart from the law, sin lies dead. I was once alive apart from the law, but when the commandment came, sin came alive and I died. The very commandment that promised life proved to be death to me. For sin, seizing an opportunity through the commandment, deceived me and through it killed me. So the law is holy, and the commandment is holy and righteous and good. Did that which is good, then, bring death to me? By no means! It was sin, producing death in me through what is good, in order that sin might be shown to be sin, and through the commandment might become sinful beyond measure.

A This is the Word of the Lord. C Thanks be to God.

Please Stand if you are able

Alleluia and Verse (sung)

Al-le-lu-ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e-ter-nal life. Al-le-lu-ia.

THE HOLY GOSPEL:

Matthew 10:34-42

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the tenth chapter.
- C (sung) Glory to You, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] "Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth. I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law. And a person's enemies will be those of his own household. Whoever loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me. And whoever does not take his cross and follow Me is not worthy of Me. Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for My sake will find it.

Whoever receives you receives Me, and whoever receives Me receives Him who sent Me. The one who receives a prophet because he is a prophet will receive a prophet's reward, and the one who receives a righteous person because he is a righteous person will receive a righteous person's reward. And whoever gives one of these little ones even a cup of cold water because he is a disciple, truly, I say to you, he will by no means lose his reward."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord. C (sung) Praise to You, O Christ.

(5 p.m. and 8 a.m.) The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried.

He descended into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church,

the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body, and the life (+) everlasting. Amen.

(10:30 a.m.) The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures

and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

(please be seated) (5 p.m. and 8 a.m.) CHILDREN'S MESSAGE SONG

God is so good, God is so good He's so good to me.

He cares for me, He cares for me, He's so good to me.
I'll do His will, I'll do His will, I'll do His will, He's so good to me.

HYMN OF THE DAY: 688 "'Come, Follow Me,' the Savior Spake"



Then let us follow Christ, our Lord, And take the cross appointed And, firmly clinging to His Word, In suff'ring be undaunted. For those who bear the battle's strain The crown of heav'nly life obtain.

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SERMON: "I Have Come To..." Matthew 10:34-42

- I. Jesus Brings Us a Sword of Division
- II. Jesus Carries Our Cross
- III. Jesus Gives Us a Reward of Life

(Please stand if you are able) Prayer of the Church

<u>HEALING AND COMFORT:</u> Cecelia Lautenschlaeger, Wanda Steele, C. John Prigge, Ed Luttman, Darlene Lohman, Gary Moeller, Larry Ebers, Pastor Koen, Pam Stellhorn, Rachel Miller, Lori Rees; *Family and Friends of St. John's Members:* Lori Voges, Brenda Manning, Cheryl Zanders, Gena Triefenbach, Kent Henke, Ruth Ann Juelfs. A.J. Guebert, Angie Cloughly, Roger Drinnon, Sr.. *Help us keep this list current!*

MILITARY: (Please call with names.) Army- Casey Vallett, Tanner Valleroy, Nathan Koen, Tim Healy, Jacob Adams, Donald Roberts, Matthew Kraus, Paul Craft, Jr., Dustin Krack, Austin Scheibe, Trevor Buckner, Jessica DeMarco, Jeremiah Brandt, Benjamin Boeder, Christopher Dupertius, Garrett Carnahan, Tyler Wahlman, Gavin Roche-Voss, Joshua Cox; Navy- Brad Koester, Carl Muehler; Air Force- Gage Baldwin, Brian Hubbard, Jason Nehrt, Curt Hatten, Terry Koester, David Livingston, Matt Sabo, Ryan Kozarich; Marines- Alex Renner, Cody Koch, Tailor Neuhaus, Josh Butterworth, Brent Knop, Keenan Turnure

- +those suffering from the coronavirus and the effects of it on our society
- +our nation as it experiences unrest and division and our cities that have suffered violence
- +favorable weather for farming and safety in the fields this week
- +thanksgiving for the 90th birthday of Eunice Snyder on June 26
- +thanksgiving for the 50th wedding anniversary of Elmer and Donna Wetzel on June 27 and the 38th wedding anniversary of Kalin and Kathy Liefer on June 26

Beloved in the Lord, let us draw near to the Lord's throne of grace and pray as He has commanded us, trusting in the Lord to hear the prayers of His people and answer our petitions according to His mercy. *Brief silence*

O most merciful God, Lord of heaven and earth, we pray You to so rule and govern Your Church and all her pastors and ministers that she may be preserved in the pure doctrine of Your saving Word, defended against all adversity, and protected from all adversaries, that thereby faith may be strengthened and love increased in us. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Grant health, wisdom and integrity to all in authority over us, especially to the president of the United States, the governor of this state, the Congress, all legislative bodies, and all judges and magistrates. Endow them with Your Spirit and with respect for Your Word, that they would

serve Your good pleasure for the maintenance of righteousness and the punishment of wickedness so that we all may lead a quiet and peaceful life in all godliness and honesty. According to Your gracious will, turn the hearts of those who live in hate and act with violence and make them to walk with us in humility and peace. Protect those who serve us as members of the military, law enforcement, emergency responders and healthcare workers. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Grant to those in trouble, want, sickness, anguish of labor, peril of death or any other adversity the healthful Spirit of Your grace for healing, strength, and comfort. We ask You to bring relief to our world as we continue to suffer from this plague of corona virus and its effects upon our society. Bless especially those who suffer in body, mind or spirit. Hear us on behalf of Cecelia, Wanda, C. John, Ed, Darlene, Gary, Larry, Pastor Koen, Pam, Rachel, Lori, Lori, Brenda, Cheryl, Gena, Kent, Ruth, A.J., Angie, Roger and those we name in our hearts. Give them courage to stand firm in their afflictions and patience until the day of Your deliverance. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Preserve us from pestilence and every evil. Give to us favorable weather for farming and cause the fruits of the earth to prosper, that we may enjoy them in due season and offer You praise and thanksgiving for all Your goodness to us. Lend Your blessing to all honorable vocations and honest industry, that we may serve where our skills and abilities may be of good use. Bless the arts and music, that we may please You and be encouraged by all that is good, right, true and beautiful. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O Lord of all life, we thank You for Your many blessings to Your servant Eunice over these 90 years of her life. As her family of faith we join the members of her physical family in praising You for her example of faith and love in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. We pray that as You have guided her in the past that You would again surround her with Your love and bestow upon her Your blessings as she enters this new year of her life lived in the name of our Savior Jesus and for His glory. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

Give to all husbands and wives grace to live together in love and faithfulness. We join with Elmer, Donna and their family in thanking You for Your many blessings to them over these 50 years of their marriage. We join with Kalin and Kathy and their family in thanking You for Your goodness to them over these 38 years of their marriage. We pray that You would continue to bless these families, that they may be lives where Your name is honored and Your love is nurtured. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

All these things for which You would have us ask of You, we pray You to grant to us for the sake of the bitter sufferings and death of Jesus Christ, our Lord, through whom we are bold to call You Father and in whose name we pray, trusting in Your mercy and confident that You will give answer to our prayers; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

Offertory (sung)

C What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me?

I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people, in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

(5 p.m. and 8 a.m.) Non-Communion Service continues here

Lord, remember us in Your Kingdom and teach us to pray:

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name,

Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us;

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

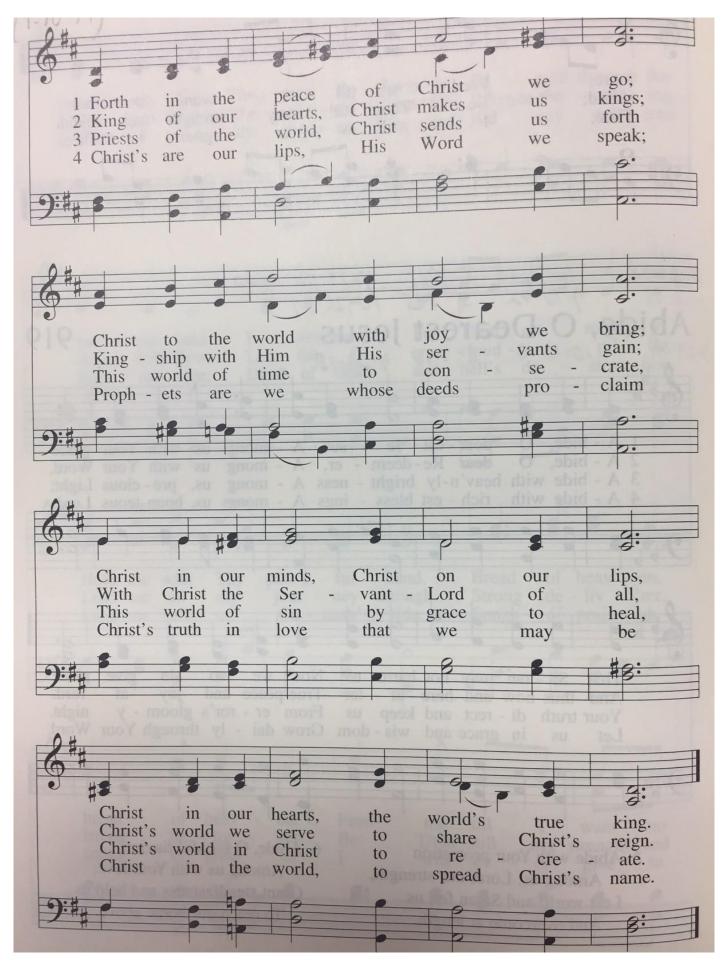
COLLECT

Pastor: Blessed Lord, since You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn and take them to heart that by patience and comfort of Your holy Word we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **People: Amen.**

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and (+) give you peace. **C** (sung) **A-men.**

CLOSING HYMN: 920 "Forth in the Peace of Christ We Go"



5 We are the Church; Christ bids us show That in His Church all na-tions find Their hearth and home where Christ re-stores True peace, true love to all man-kind.

(10:30 a.m.) Service of the Sacrament

Preface (we speak the responses)

- P The Lord be with you. C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts. C We lift them to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Proper Preface

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus (sung)

C Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:

Heav'n and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross. Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

- P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
- C Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name,

Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

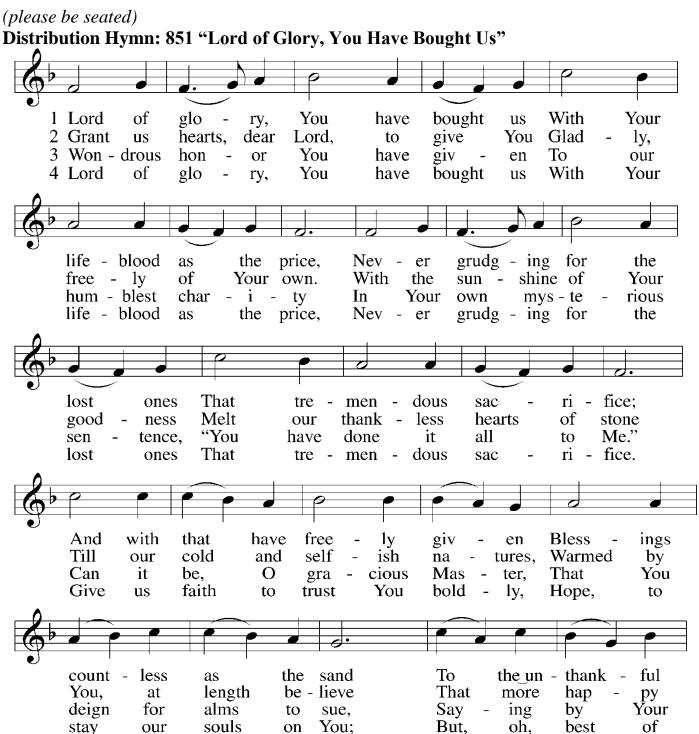
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

P...The peace of the Lord be with you always. C Amen.

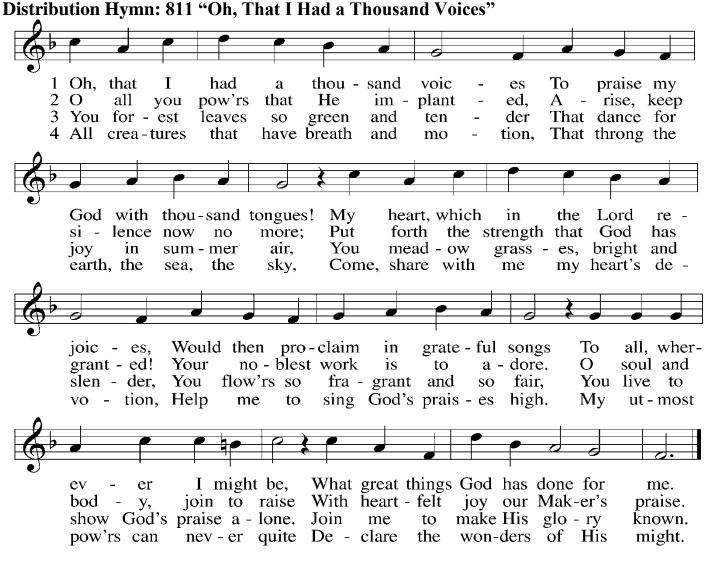
Agnus Dei (sung)

C Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.





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5 Creator, humbly I implore You To listen to my earthly song Until that day when I adore You, Together with the angel throng And learn with choirs of heav'n to sing Eternal anthems to my King.

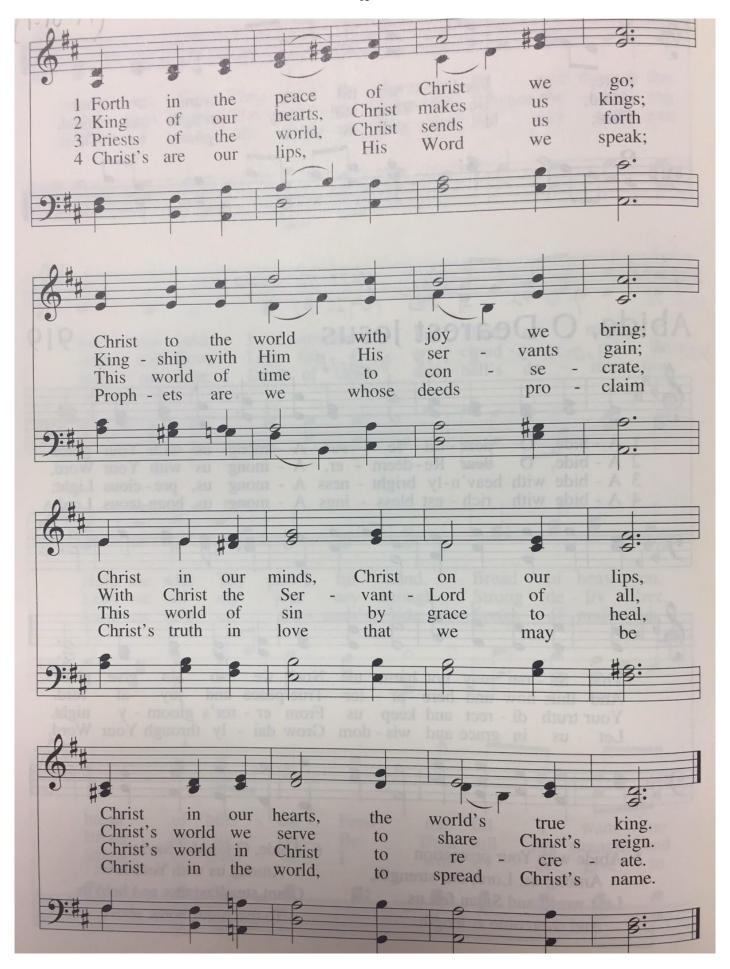
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Please stand if you are able Thank the Lord (sung)

Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev'ryone what He has done. Let ev'ryone who seeks the Lord rejoice and proudly bear His name. He recalls His promises and leads His people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, alleluia.

Post-Communion Collect: Let us pray: We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C** (*sung*) **Amen.**

Benediction: Pastor: The Lord bless you and ...(+) give you peace. C (sung) A-men. Closing Hymn: 920 "Forth in the Peace of Christ We Go"



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THE POSTLUDE: "To God Be the Glory" arranged by Edward Broughton

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This Week With Our Lord, June 28-July 5, 2020

SUNDAY, June 28-

8:00 a.m. Divine Service

10:30 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion (live-streamed over Facebook)

Monday, June 29-

Pastor Nebel is out of town today

Tuesday, June 30-

12:30 p.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, July 1-

9:00 a.m. Quilting in the Fellowship Hall

11:00 a.m. Office Staff meeting

7:30 p.m. Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (Judges)

Thursday, July 2-

8:00 a.m. Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall (Luke)

Friday, July 3- Office Closed!

Saturday, July 4- Happy Birthday America!

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall (Job)

5:00 p.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion Acolyte: Natalie Korando

SUNDAY, July 5-

8:00 a.m. Divine Service with Holy Communion Acolyte: Konnor Cartee

10:30 a.m. Divine Service (live-stream on Facebook) Acolyte: Olivia Geralds

BIBLE STUDIES:

Check our website under the Media tab for Bible studies that you can do on your own. The topics so far are Amen, Angels, Antichrist, Apostles, Apostolic Preaching of the Resurrection, Baptism Q & A, Barnabas, Church and Homosexuality, Communications Skills, Cremation, Christian Citizenship, Discussing Homosexuality, Ecclesiastes, End of the World, God's Will in the Lives of His People, Haggai, Having the Right Attitude, Heaven, The Justice of God, Justification and Sanctification, Islam, Live By the Spirit, Malachi, Meditation, Philemon, Purses, Was Jesus a Vegetarian?, Word Dwellers, and more to come!

THE LUTHERAN HOUR:

When we want something to be perfect, we practice it over and over until it becomes part of us. In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus encourages His followers to practice being perfect, because God already sees them that way, through faith in Christ. Listen to "Practice Makes Perfect" (Matthew 5) with Speaker Dr. Michael Ziegler on KFUO AM 850 Sunday at 12:30 & 5 p.m. or on Bott Christian Radio Sundays at 8 a.m. (KSIV 1320 AM or 91.5 FM).

FLOWERS IN THE CHANCEL:

Flowers on the altar this weekend are given to the glory of God in thanksgiving for the 38th wedding anniversary of Kalin and Kathleen Liefer on June 26. They are a gift from their children and grandchildren. Thank you and God's blessings to them.

To have flowers in worship please call the office at 282-3873 to notify the committee and to have proper thanks in the bulletin of those donating.

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL LAST WEEK:

Worship: 243; Holy Communion: 109; Adult Bible Class- Cancelled

WE GIVE THEE BUT THINE OWN, WHATE'ER THE GIFT MAY BE:

We join with one another in the grace of giving. 6/14- General Fund: \$17,962.70; School-\$1,800. "Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in My house. And thereby put Me to the test, says the LORD of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you a blessing until there is no more need." (Malachi 3:10)

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS: LCMS Stewardship Resources

Matt. 10:42 – "And whoever gives one of these little ones even a cup of cold water because he is a disciple, truly, I say to you, he will by no means lose his reward." The tithes and offerings you give to the Lord's work in His church go to supporting all manner of discipleship. They provide for a minister of the Gospel to preach, teach, and conduct the Sacraments; they provide for our missionaries and ministries of mercy here and abroad; and they make sure that the folks in your area have a place to go to worship the Lord. The Lord is pleased with this work, and He wants to bless you through supporting it.

ADULT BIBLE CLASS:

Sunday morning Adult Bible Class resumes this weekend between services, 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We will pick up where we left off in the book of Acts.

PORTALS OF PRAYER:

The July-September issue of our daily devotional, *Portals of Prayer*, is available in the racks by the front doors of church and on the table in the Main Entrance foyer of our school building.

LILYFIELDS MUSIC CDs AVAILABLE:

St. John's member Joan Voges is offering the latest, and last, music CD from her Lilyfields Collection to us for a donation to our school's ministry. "Peter's Song" tells the story of Jesus through the eyes of His disciple Peter. The seven tracks of this CD include beautiful narrations from the late Chris Bergmann along with Joan's texts and tunes. Please see Joan after worship today to pick up a copy of this compact disc.

OUT OF THE OFFICE:

Pastor Koen had knee replacement surgery on June 9 and will be unavailable until July 8. Please contact Pastor Nebel for your pastoral care needs.

THE PRAYER CHAIN:

Vickie Heller is our Prayer Chain Coordinator. If you would like to serve in the Prayer Chain or if you have a prayer request, please contact Vickie at 618/521-7417 or dvheller@htc.net. Call the church office if you would like to add someone to our worship prayers. *Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective* (James 5:16).

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH AT:

Red Bud Care Center: Virginia Bahr, Melba Liefer, Wilma Wagner, Jody Winkelmann; Waterloo Garden Place- Alice Smith; Ruma R&R- Fern Schnepel, Willard Uffelmann; Waterloo Magnolia Terrace- June Lawrence

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH AT RED BUD GARDEN PLACE:

Margaret Hanebutt, Dorothy Heizer, Omer and Neva Liefer, Vernon and Evelyn Muench, Lorine Reinhardt, Dr. Paul Schrieber, Gloria Stellhorn, Wilma Stellhorn, Norma Vogt, Arlin and Helen Winkelman

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY OF FAITH CONFINED IN-HOME:

Kathryn Chunn, Larry Ebers, Don and Betty Fausz, Willie Guebert, Nancy Holmstrom, Kenneth Koester, Donald Kueker, Joyce Lopez, Jean Menke, Edna Moeller, Elda Seders.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!:

6/28- Richard Moeller, Norman Bievenue, Melissa Henry, Lisa Keller, Angela Cooper, Brady Hartmann; 6/29- June Lawrence, Earl Ellner, Jr., Ken Langrehr, Kim Schlueter, Kole Liefer, Brandon Voss; 6/30- Zac Carnahan, Sara Hewitt, Maggie DuFrenne; 7/1- Diane Kunkelmann, Duane Liefer, Wayne Liefer, Gina Guebert; 7/2- Kirk Uffelmann, Travis Oettle; 7/3- Jim Guebert, Krysta Schmidt, Connor Bumann, Jozlynn Palm; 7/4- Sue Guebert, David Lucht, Dawn Booker, Ryan Dannenberg. *Please call the office for additions or corrections!*

PARISH NURSE NOTE: from LCMS Better Health

Bringing Health Habits Out of Quarantine: "Watching Animal Videos"- In a study of nearly 7,000 people, researchers found that those who watched animal videos boosted their energy and positive emotions and had fewer negative emotions afterward. (However, from personal experience I can tell you that watching Cooper the Wonder Dog sleep on our living room floor has done nothing to boost my energy or positive emotions, *Pastor*)

KFUO AM 850 LUTHERAN RADIO:

KFUO Radio, AM850 & kfuo.org, a media ministry extension of LCMS congregations, shares Christ for you on AM850 & kfuo.org via worship services, Bible and theology studies, practical talk programs, and sacred music. You can find programs on demand at kfuo.org and wherever you get podcasts! Find us on social media @KFUO.org, Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. This week on KFUO AM850 & kfuo.org, continue the series on Play and

Mental Health with Deaconess Heidi Goehmann on The Coffee Hour (6/29 at 9:00 a.m.), study James 4-5 on Sharper Iron's "Wisdom from Above" (weekdays at 8:00 a.m.), and learn about our Lutheran doctrine on Concord Matters (6/30 at 2:00 p.m.). Find these programs on demand at kfuo.org!

ISSUES, ETC.:

Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's teachings include: A Lutheran Justification for Political Resistance, The Transgender Craze Seducing Our Daughters, Lutheran Piety in the Home, Mary Visiting Elizabeth and more. You can tune in live weekdays from 3-5 p.m. on KFUO, 850 AM in St. Louis. You can also listen at your convenience at <u>issuesetc.org</u>, the LPR mobile app and your favorite podcast provider.

LIFE THOUGHTS: (from Lutherans for Life) www.lutheransforlife.org

Jesus says, "I have not come to bring peace, but a sword" (Matthew 10:34b). Advocating the sanctity of life may mean living on that edge. Of course, Gospel grace and forgiveness aren't for slaying adversaries but setting captives free. It sometimes feels like merely fetching refreshments (Matthew 10:42), but the reward of Gospel-motivated voices For Life is receiving even the least of these neighbors as treasures.

CHRIST OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL 618-853-7300

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Faculty and Staff

Preschool - Cindy Steele Kindergarten – Betty Schmitz First Grade – Rachel Miller; Aide- Patty Schnepel Second Grade – Rebekah Liefer Third Grade – Stephanie Valleroy

Fourth Grade-Bill Becker (Librarian)

Fifth Grade - Darlene Letcher and Cindy Nebel (Before/After School Care) Sixth Grade Homeroom $(6^{th}-8^{th})$ – Doreen Schnepel Seventh Grade Homeroom $(6^{th}-8^{th})$ – Nancy Whelan Eighth Grade Homeroom and Athletic Director $(6^{th}-8^{th})$ – Justin Palm Resource Teacher: Lara Vause

Custodians – Alan Ohms, Bob Schramm and Becky Rhodes Cooks – Jill Gross and Marilyn Oettle

Day Care

Amanda Falkenhain, Director; Kellie Shields, Assistant Director; Lisa Quinn, Ashley Brittingham, Megan Diercks, Jennifer Pfannebecker, Nicole Kadlec, Patty Brewer, Kristi Martel, Courtney Schoenbeck, Terra Williams, Brittney Eichholz, Pam Henry, Eileen Seibold, Christy Deterding, Melissa Schilling, Kaleigh Johnston, and Geraldine Thompson

Church Council

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<u>Serving Us in Worship Today</u>

Preacher and Liturgist: Pastor Mark Nebel Organist: Mrs. Lindsey Hudak

(8 a.m.) Lector: Seminarian Wade Waterstreet

Acolytes: (5 p.m.) Luke Quintin; (8 a.m.) Christine Liefer; (10:30 a.m.) Trenton Wagner

Video: Eric Fritsche Communion Cloths: Lynn Langrehr

Flower Servers: Kathy Grohmann and Stephanie Liefer Paraments: Carol Turner